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CITY NEWS.

Dr. E. C. Chase,

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Private matters skillfully treated and mod-

erns furnished. Dr. Discher, 214 Pine st.

SPLIT IN ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH.

One hundred and twenty-five members

Withdraw From the Congregation.

One hundred and twenty-five members

of St. George's Episcopal Church have

seceded and will build a new church in consequence

of their unsuccessful opposition to the

building of the new church. When

the old church on Beaumont and

Chestnut street burned last spring, the

parishioners in favor of a new location took

shape, but met with opposition. The site of

the new church selected and the

adherents was on Olive street and Pen-

dleton avenue, and the church was

built there. The dissenting members met

at the residence of one of them and took

steps to organize a new congregation. The

Office Men's Club Hall, 202 Olive street, has

been secured, and Rev. Carroll M. Davis

will preach there next Sunday. Both sides

claim the name of "St. George's Church."

Now Is the Time to Place Your Order for

a Fall Suit.

Not that you will want to wear it at

present, but that you will want it at once when

the cool days come.

MILLS &amp; AVERILL,

S. E. Cor. Broadway and Pine St.

Bitten by a Horse.

Yesterday afternoon at Pearl Harding,

a Western Union Telegraph messenger, was

crossing from the north to the south side of

Olive street, a horse belonging to

J. L. Isaac of 1210 Olive street, which was

standing opposite the Laclede Building,

made a lunge for him and seized the boy

on the left side of the head above the

ear. The horse, which was a bay, of

his teeth deeply imprinted in the boy's

skull, and although the messenger was

wounded a little, he was not seriously

injured. The horse was immediately

led to the stable and the boy was

taken to the hospital. The horse was

before while being left unattended for

the streets.

DIAMOND RINGS.....\$15 to \$600

Diamond Necklaces.....\$10 to \$1,000

Diamond Earrings.....\$5 to \$100

Diamond Studs.....\$10 to \$50

Diamond Bracelets.....\$10 to \$200

Diamond Collar Buttons.....\$1 to \$100

Diamond Pendants.....\$5 to \$250

Diamonds, rubies, pearls and sapphires.

Diamonds, lowest prices.

Diamonds, elegantly reset in our own

factory.

MEMMOT &amp; JACCORD JEWELRY CO.,

Broadway and Locust.

National Unitarian Conference.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 24.—The last day's

session of the National Unitarian Conference

was begun by the national singing at 9

o'clock this morning. The business session

opened at 10 a. m. Reports on the

Theological school, on Liturgy and on work

in Japan were made. Following this, the

paper on the Bible in theology, by Rev. W.

W. Fonn of Chicago, was read. Reports from

business committees followed and the con-

ference then proceeded to the election of

officers.

Our Irish American citizens and all lovers

of Irish arts and sacred music invited to the

Exposition Sunday night.

Fire at Webster Groves.

The butcher shop of Mr. McKelvey and the

tin shop of Mr. Frank at Webster Groves

were destroyed by fire yesterday. Mr.

McKelvey's family resided over the shop, and

had a narrow escape. Christ Smith's resi-

dence, which was a two-story building, was

not damaged. The butcher shop and tin shop

were frame two-story buildings and burned

very rapidly. Nothing was saved from either

of the buildings.

Oriental, European, American.

Rugs from all the representative markets

received during the past week and are on

exhibition to-day at J. Kennard &amp; Sons. Large

rugs for parlors, long rugs for halls, small

rugs for every spot requiring to be protected

or decorated. What about prices? We can

not name them here, because we have them

as low as 7c and as high as \$400. We will

be glad to show them.

To Organize Permanently.

The anti-saloon people of the vicinity of

Saratoga and Vandewater avenue are to

meet at Vandewater Hall next Friday eve-

ning and form a permanent organization

under the name of the West End Protective

Association. The call for the meeting is

signed by David Strawbridge and A. H. Kim-

barn, the President and Secretary respec-

tively of the meeting held last Monday night.

Parents Look Out for Your Boys.

Six hundred thirty children of good wearing

suits will go to-morrow to the Exposition at

Saratoga. The suits are of the best quality

and are of the latest style. The suits are

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ST. LOUIS, THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 24, 1891.

# SETTLED AT LAST.

The Celebrated Crab Case Finally Disposed of This Morning.

GRAND SIRE UNDERWOOD SUSTAINED BY THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE.

The Ross Case Not Yet Taken Up - Daughters of Rebekah in Session Today - Their Examination of the Beautiful Work - Reception of the Grand Sires of the Order Last Night.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows has been in session since 9 o'clock this morning. The celebrated Crab case was taken up soon after the opening of the session, and after a thorough consideration of the matter the Grand Lodge sustained Grand Sire Underwood's decision in expelling the lodge. This case has been before the Sovereign Grand Lodge several times.



years, and is now finally disposed of adversely to Mr. Crab and his colleagues, who appealed from Mr. Underwood's decision. The Ross case has not been taken up yet, but probably will be this afternoon or tomorrow. The probabilities are that the Grand Secretary will be let down easily, perhaps reprimanded and, in all probability, not re-elected.

Col. Dowd received a telegram this morning to represent Philadelphia Lodge, No. 13, in the controversy over the order of the Grand Master of Pennsylvania to Philadelphia Lodge, No. 1,022. It seems that there are two lodges bearing the name Philadelphia in that city and the last lodge organized received instructions to change its name. An appeal was taken from this order and the matter is now before the Grand Lodge.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge will probably be in session until the middle of next week.

REUNION OF REPRESENTATIVES. A highly enjoyable reunion of the Past Grand Representatives of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., was held last night at Memorial Hall, Nineteenth and Lucas streets.



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Reed of Chicago and others. Speech making was given over for several songs capably sung by Miss Geyer and piano solos by Miss Durand, both of this city. Refreshments and small talk wound up the affair.

SOME OF THE CONFERENCES ATTENDED BY THE CONCLAVE. The last Grand Master of Odd Fellows of the noted Dakotas was A. E. Nugent. He is of English parentage and started in life at the early age of 10 years, having been left an orphan at that age. He left Paris and went to London, but before he had attained his majority he concluded to try the New World. To this end he sailed for America and for a time made his home in Pennsylvania, afterwards removing to Toronto, where for three years he earned his living as a volunteer. He then moved to Lansing, Mich., where his career as an Odd Fellow commenced. Mr. Nugent has no superior and his earnestness and splendid eloquence in the Grand Lodge and in the public sphere, never asking for promotion or for place, his ability and zeal for the principles of Odd-Fellowship will not let him remain in the background. He is a born leader, and as such is a valuable service to the order. In 1888 he was elected Deputy Grand Master, and the following year elected Grand Master.

James Bernette Lay was born at Marches, Va., July 12, 1837, and initiated into Lynchburg Lodge, No. 17, Feb. 17, 1853, and elected Noble Grand June, 1858; elected Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of Virginia, 1870; elected Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, 1871; elected Deputy Grand Master April, 1880, and Grand Master in 1881. He joined the encampment in 1868 and was elected Grand Patriarch December, 1871, and elected Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of Virginia, 1872. Mr. Lay is one of the most prominent Odd Fellows in the jurisdiction of Virginia.

Samuel A. Steele was born in Tremont, Me., March 10, 1824, and in the year 1845 he was initiated into the Grand Lodge of Maine, and was elected Noble Grand in 1871; represented Maine in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1871; moved to Boston and organized Weston Lodge, No. 20, and represented his lodge for three years in the Grand Lodge, when he was elected Deputy Grand Master; after the passage of his law he was able to give his time to the order, and was elected Grand Master in 1881. At the close of his term as Grand Master, Mr. Steele was elected Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1881; represented Maine in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1881; represented Maine in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1881.

Col. T. P. Mixer, a lawyer by profession, was born in Culpeper County, West Virginia, in 1834, and initiated into the Grand Lodge of Virginia, 1854, and was elected Noble Grand in 1871; represented Virginia in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1871; moved to St. Louis and organized the Grand Lodge of Missouri in 1881; was elected Deputy Grand Master in 1881; represented Missouri in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1881; represented Missouri in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1881.

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# A FABLE.

"I have nothing whatever to say to reporters."

(From yesterday's Post-Dispatch interview with Supt. E. H. Long of the St. Louis Public Schools.)



A Parrot, imagining himself safely perched, once spied a Dog, and to make merry at that animal's exertions, suddenly and shrilly cried out: "See him, Tiger!"

The alarmed Canine dashed through the flowers and hedges in hot pursuit of the supposed foe.

And the Parrot laughed.

The Dog no sooner returned than the Parrot again said: "See him, Tiger!" sending the Dog on his second mad chase.

The panting Dog returning, spied the Parrot, and at the next call of "See him, Tiger," sprang to the perch and caught the loquacious bird, on whose plumage he wreaked vengeance.

Escaping from his captor, the Parrot regained his perch, and surveying his deplumed tail, said to himself: "I know what's the matter with me—I talk too much."

at 850 Birch street, and is one of the largest real estate owners in St. Louis; besides owning considerable property on Chestnut street, and other buildings in the city, he is owner of 100 acres of land on Birch street, all of which is inside the city limits. Mr. Bircher's father was one of the wealthiest men of this city, being one of the first to build in the city. He was a member of the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1871; moved to St. Louis and organized the Grand Lodge of Missouri in 1881; was elected Deputy Grand Master in 1881; represented Missouri in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1881; represented Missouri in the Grand Lodge of the United States in the fall of 1881.

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at present Mayor of East Portland, and a member of the Legislature of Oregon and a member of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of this state. Mr. Stewart is engaged in contracting and in the general insurance business.

Lieut. Col. Katsung, one of the Grand Representatives from Kansas, is a resident of Fort Scott, Kan., and a Director and Assistant Cashier for the Citizens' National Bank of that city. He was born in the city of Hesse, Germany, on the 10th day of February, 1857, and came to this country on the 8th day of November, 1880, and has resided in the State of Kansas since January, 1882. He became a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in 1871, receiving all the calls in the various branches of the order, including Grand Decoration of Chivalry from the Department of Kansas, and is a member of the Grand Lodge of that State.

Dr. Jno. Rosworth, P. G., Representative from the Grand Encampment of Virginia, was initiated into the order of Odd Fellows in the year 1870, at Phillips, Va. He was born in Beverly, Randolph County, Va., Sept. 3, 1837. Received his education at Lexington, Va. Served in the Confederate army during the war as Commandant of a company in the Thirty-first Virginia Infantry; received his medical education at the Jefferson Medical College in 1868 and 1869. Was initiated into the order of Odd Fellows in the year 1870, at Phillips, Va. He was born in Beverly, Randolph County, Va., Sept. 3, 1837. Received his education at Lexington, Va. Served in the Confederate army during the war as Commandant of a company in the Thirty-first Virginia Infantry; received his medical education at the Jefferson Medical College in 1868 and 1869.

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### BOLD BARILLAS.

Guatemala's President Fears Assassination but Defies His Enemies.

HE IS DETERMINED TO DECLARE HIMSELF DICTATOR.

All the Central American Powers Ripe for War—Death Breaks Up the Family Party at Fredensburg—The Sullen Tone of the Hindoos Alarming the Viceroy—Foreign News.

CITY OF MEXICO, Sept. 23.—President Barillas of Guatemala is afraid of assassination, but he is determined to declare himself dictator before surrendering the presidency, and he even may provoke war with Salvador, in order to realize his dream. Esca, finding his influence waning, thinks that a war with Guatemala might bring back his popularity, but he dare not declare war as the people want peace. Costa Rica is now the only Central American power which is not for war. Each of the powers has agents in the other countries sowing seeds of discord. All the countries are in financial difficulty. Neither Guatemala nor Salvador has been able to arrange a loan in Europe. Guatemala has established the strictest press censorship.

The despotic government of Barillas has created great dissatisfaction among the people of Guatemala and his assassination would create no surprise. On the 15th of last June for daring to criticize some act of the administration several editors of the capital city were imprisoned and their offices destroyed. The elections occur in October and it has been understood that Barillas' proposal is to follow the policy which proved so fatal to Balmaceda, that of forcing a tool of his own upon the people as his successor in office. One of the charges against Barillas is that two months ago he authorized the issue of \$5,000,000 in bonds, double the amount called for by the congressional decree, sold half the amount at 40 per cent of their face value and pocketed the sum realized.

#### THE RUSSIAN IMPERIAL FAMILY.

GRAND DUCHESS ALEXANDRA'S DEATH BREAKS UP THE FREDENSBURG PARTY.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The sudden death of the Grand Duchess Alexandra has broken up the family party at Fredensburg, and the royal house of Denmark and Greece will have to go into mourning in reality, and other European royalties will mourn by courtesy. The death of the Grand Duchess will probably make a change in the plans of the Czar, and may lead to the omission of the proposed interview between the Czar and the Kaiser. Paul is the Czar's favorite brother, and the affliction which he suffers in the death of the young wife cannot fail to excite the liveliest sympathy of the autocrat. Paul was deeply devoted to his wife, who was not little more than a child, having been only 19 at the time of her marriage, about two years ago. As a rule the Russian Grand Dukes do not get along very well with their wives, but Paul was an exception, and the devotion of the pair to each other has excited frequent remark. Besides the son, whose birth was followed by her own death, the Grand Duchess leaves a daughter about 17 months old. The children will probably be taken charge of by their grandparents, the King and Queen of Greece. Dispatches from Moscow state that the Grand Duchess' death was due to a recent carriage accident, which caused a premature accouchement. An operation was performed and was successful, but she gradually sank and never recovered consciousness. The news of her death has caused profound sorrow in Athens. The Czar and the Kaiser and one of the Greek Princes have started for Russia.

#### ASSUMING A SERIOUS ASPECT.

THE RAILWAY STRIKES IN SIBERIA—DESTRUCTIVE WORK BY FIRE-BUGS.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The latest dispatches from Siberia report that the railway strikes are assuming a serious aspect. The Governor advocates vigorous measures in dealing with the strikers.

WHAT THE Czar SAID.  
The Czar, while conversing with the Prince of Naples said: "Although I no longer belong among the younger sovereigns of Europe, nevertheless I count myself among the Princes of the younger generation who are ready to study the needs of the people and to regulate their conduct accordingly."

DESTRUCTIVE WORK BY FIRE-BUGS.  
ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 23.—Twenty-eight farms with all the cattle and stores have been destroyed by fire of incendiary origin at Kozlogov, in Russian Poland. In order to delay the fire engines, the incendiaries cut the ropes of the fire bells.

#### THE AGE OF CONSENT LAW.

ALARMING THE BRITISH VICEROY.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Calcutta advice states that the Viceroy is much alarmed by the sullen tone of the native populace, who have been particularly aggressive of late. The age of consent law is said to be the chief foundation of popular anger. It is interfering with the customs of the Hindoos more than was at first expected. Besides the legal age, the priests are especially angry at the bill, which tends to deprive their order of certain old-fashioned privileges. The lack of cohesion among the natives is the strongest factor in making successful rebellion almost impossible. At the same time many Europeans claim that British rule in India is really in danger owing to the rashness and in the severe punishment of the leaders in the Manipur insurrection. The rulers of the feudatory states of India are said to feel uneasy on account of the way in which the royal family of Manipur was treated and they are asking each other what the fate would be of any other Indian prince who might be driven by intolerable tyranny into armed resistance against British authority. The hanging of the Sennapatty was especially offensive to the Hindoos, that being considered a most disgraceful form of execution, and, although England has formally annexed Manipur, the state is to remain virtually within complete control by Hindoo officials. All these circumstances go to influence the Hindoo minds and make them receptive of disloyal sentiments against Great Britain.

#### GENERAL FOREIGN.

SERBIA'S KING RETROTHED TO PRINCESSE BELLA OF MONTENEGRO.

BELGRADE, Sept. 23.—It is reported that the King of Serbia has been betrothed to the Princess Bella of Montenegro. The latter was born in 1871. The King of Serbia, Alexander I., was born in 1876, and succeeded his father, King Milan, after the latter's abdication, March 6, 1889.

#### THE SPANISH ARMY.

MADRID, Sept. 23.—At a cabinet meeting today it was decided to adopt the Mauser rifle.